



Featuring

KERRY DRAKE

Detective

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This slim, cool fighter pits his razor-keen mind and ice cold courage against "Fingers," the brutal strangler who has sworn to get even with the man who brought him to justice!



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**A SMART
TIE BY DAY**

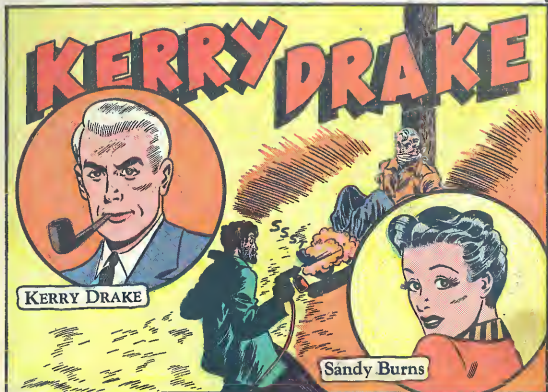


**A MAGIC
TIE AT
NIGHT**



**IT'S NOVEL,
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FROM HEADLINES, LOUD-SPEAKERS AND NEWSREEL SCREENS, ONE NAME ECHOES TODAY THROUGH A GREAT CITY—

KERRY DRAKE!

by **Alfred Anderson**

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REWRITE DESK? HERE'S A NEW LEAD ON "FINGERS"! READY? ... A SENSATION WAS SPRUNG LATE TODAY IN THE "FINGERS" NELSON MURDER TRIAL WHEN KERRY DRAKE, FAMOUS DETECTIVE, TDDK THE STAND FOR THE PROSECUTION!...

"...AS KERRY DRAKE RAINED A DEADLY BARRAGE OF FACTS ON THE CRUMBLING DEFENSE, THE SNARLING "FINGERS" WAS TWICE HURLED BACK IN HIS CHAIR BY GUARDS, WHO..."

CAMERA'S SET! KERRY DRAKE OUGHT TO BE OUT SOON!

SOUND O.K.!

GET YER FIVE-STAR FINAL! "KERRY DRAKE CRACKS STRANGLER'S ALIBI IN MURDER TRIAL!"

WHY, TH, LOUSY! SPIDER! LISTEN! WE GOTTA JOB TO DO!

GET YER FIVE-STAR FINAL! "KERRY DRAKE TAKES STAND IN 'FINGERS' TRIAL!"

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1943 3 CENTS

KERRY DRAKE TESTIMONY SHATTERS 'FINGERS' DEFENSE

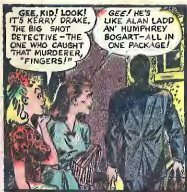
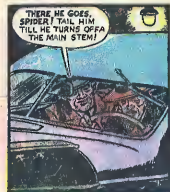
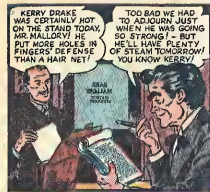
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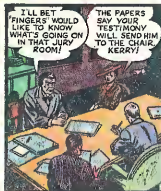
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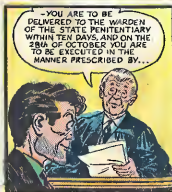
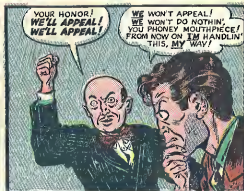
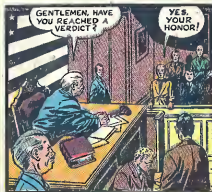
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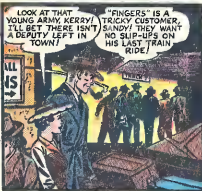
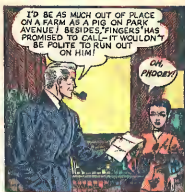
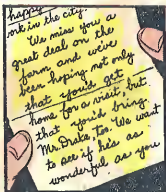
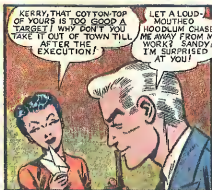
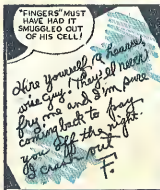
Killer Promises Revenge On Kerry Drake, Detective Who Tainted Him

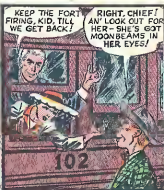
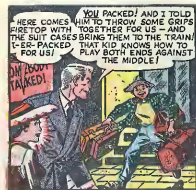
Gaily taunting the crowd of Kerry "Fingers" Nelson the man who yesterday accused Kerry Drake, the investigator who "Fingers" Nelson...

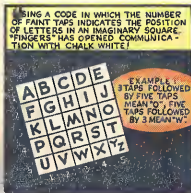


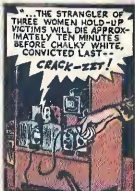
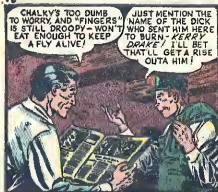


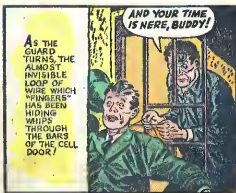
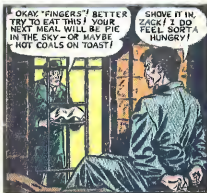


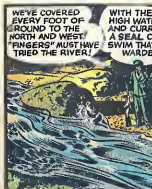
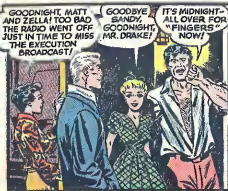


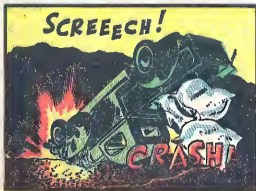
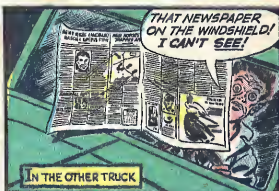
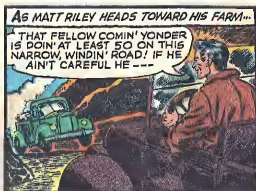


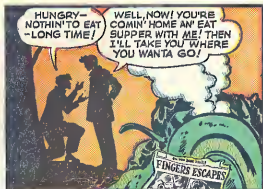


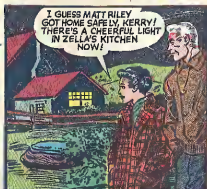




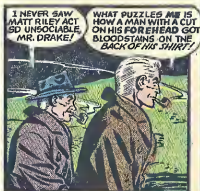


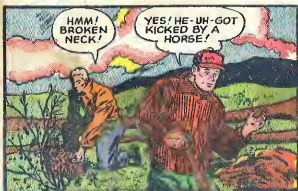
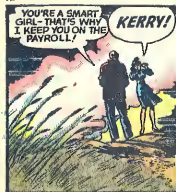


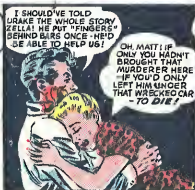
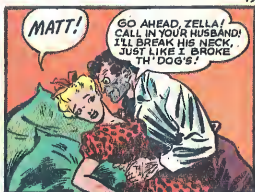
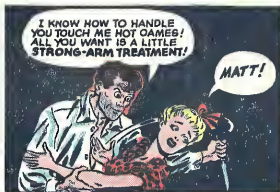


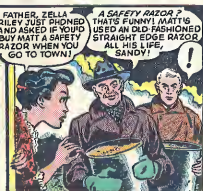
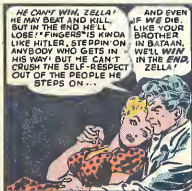


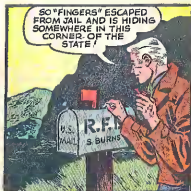


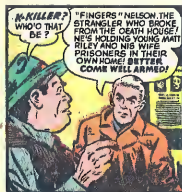


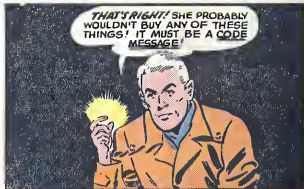


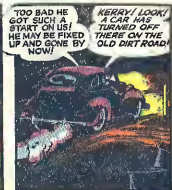
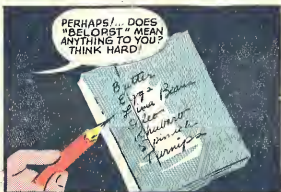


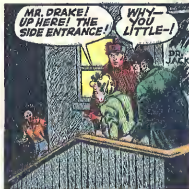
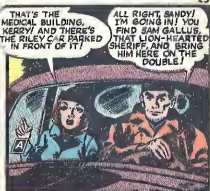


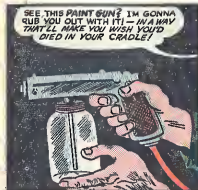
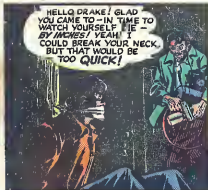
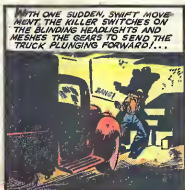














THE END

Johnny

by

MART
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DEVILDOG



JOHNNY DEVILDOG USED TO BE THE KID AROUND THE CORNER. NOW HE'S A FIRST CLASS FIGHTING MAN IN THE WORLD'S FIGHTINGEST OUTFIT—THE UNITED STATES MARINES. ... JOHNNY SMASHED THE JAPS AT GUADALCANAL AND VIRI; HE CHASED THE JAPANESE OUT OF NEW GEORGIA ... TARAWA ... SAIPAN ... GUAM ...

SOME DAY SOON HE'LL MARCH DOWN THE STREETS OF TOKIO, AND HE'LL BE GRINNING LIKE A KID THROUGH THE BATTLE GRIME. ... JOHNNY DEVILDOG? ... HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN CALLED JOHNNY AMERICAN. ...

FOUR HOURS BEFORE DAWN ... SEVERAL HUNDRED MILES NORTH OF A JAPANESE ISLAND, A UNITED STATES FLAT TOP SENDS ITS FIGHTERS INTO THE WINTRY SKY...



THERE GOES THE LAST OF THE ESCORT. GUESS IT'S OUR TURN NOW...

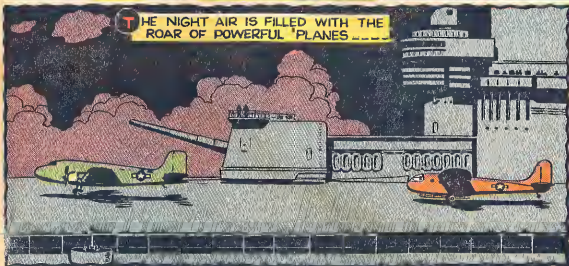
YEAH, JOHNNY—TIME TO PARK OUR MARINE CORPSES IN THAT FLYING COFFIN.



FIRST TIME A GLIDER EVER TOOK OFF FROM A CARRIER IN A BATTLE ACTION —

THE JAPS ARE IN FOR A NASTY JOLT — IF IT WORKS!





ANOTHER TROOP CARRYING GLIDER RISES FROM THE FLAT TOP A FEW MOMENTS LATER—AND TOGETHER THE FIGHTER ESCORT AND THE GLIDERS WING AWAY FOR A SURPRIZE RENDEZVOUS WITH THE ENEMY...



THINK WE'LL GET AWAY WITH THIS STUNT, JOHNNY.

SURE—IF THE SUBMARINE IS ON TIME TO TAKE US OFF THE ISLAND!



SUDDENLY, TWO JAPANESE SCOUT PLANES BLUNDER THROUGH THE CLOUDS AMONG THE AMERICAN ARMADA.



HEY! WHAT'S UP—?

JAP PLANES ATTACKING!



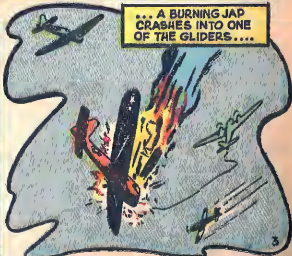
THE JAPS PICK EASY TARGETS—THE GLIDERS!

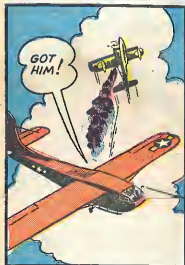


THE CORSAIR ESCORT WHIRLS TO THE ATTACK.



... A BURNING JAP CRASHES INTO ONE OF THE GLIDERS....





THEN — A DIRECT HIT!



THE LEFT
WING IS
GONE!

BETTER HIT
THE SILK,
FELLOWS!



HURRY, YOU GUYS!
THIS AIN'T NO
BOX KITE.

KEEP YOUR SHIRT ON,
SLUGGER—YOU'LL
GET DOWN EVEN IF
YOU DON'T JUMP!



HOPE WE'RE NOT
TOO LOW FOR THE
'CHUTES—THE GROUND
IS COMING UP FAST!



WHW! I
THOUGHT
THE UMBRELLA
WOULD NEVER
OPEN.

SEARCHLIGHTS



SLUGGER!

JOHNNY!
THEY GOT
MY CHUTE!





SLUGGER!
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING UP
THAT TREE?



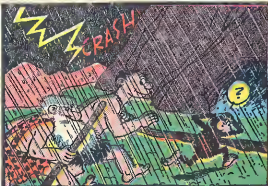
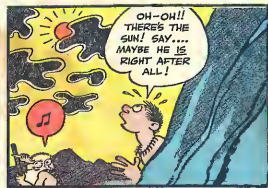
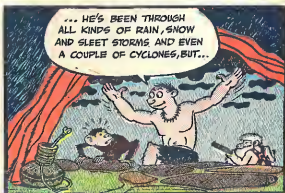
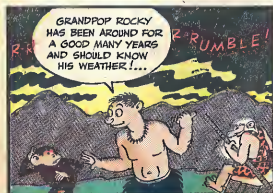
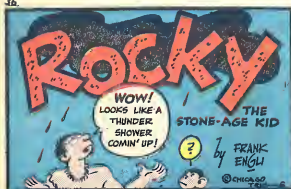
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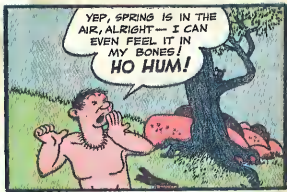
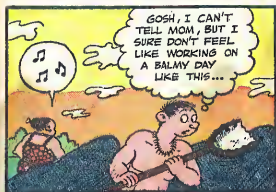
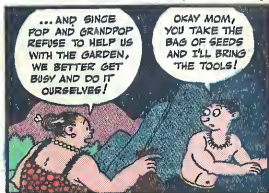
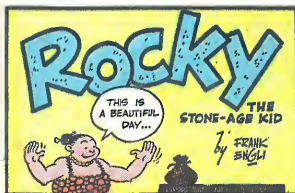


A HANDFUL OF MARINES — BUT THEY SURGE ACROSS THE AIRFIELD IN A WAVE OF DESTRUCTION, FIRING OIL TANKS, MUNITIONS DUMPS, PLANES, HANGARS, BARRACKS ... WORKING AND FIGHTING WITH SPLIT-SECOND EFFICIENCY ...



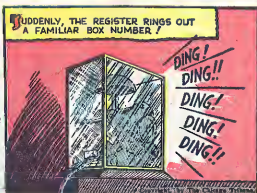
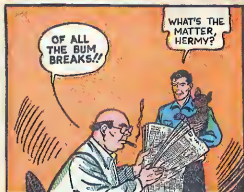


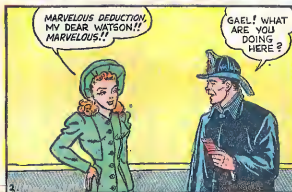
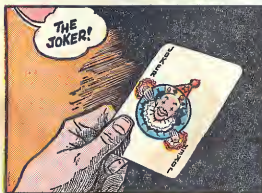
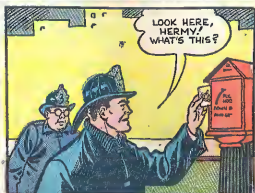
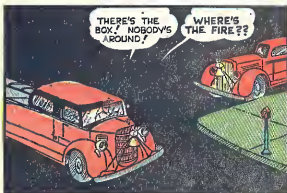
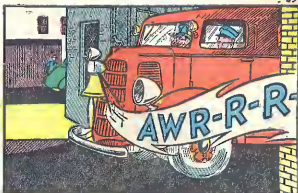
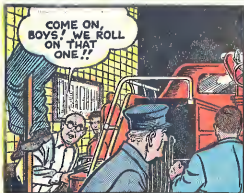


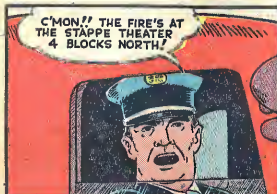
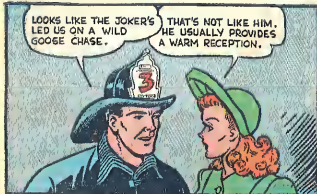


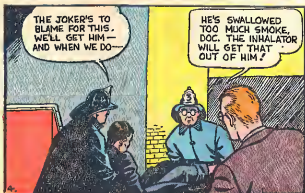
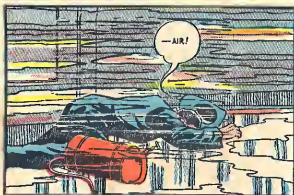
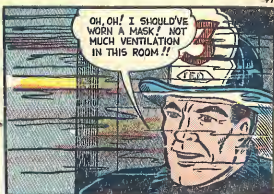
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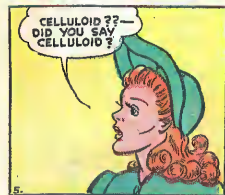
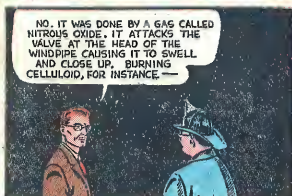
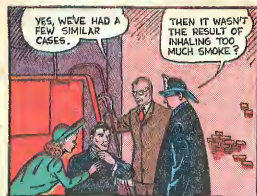
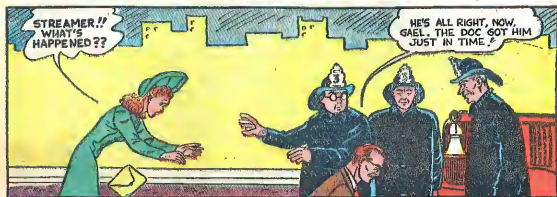
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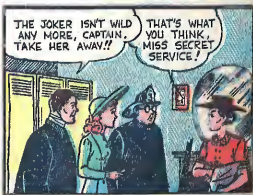
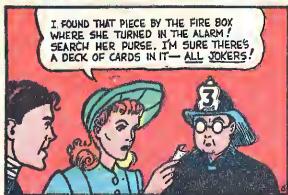
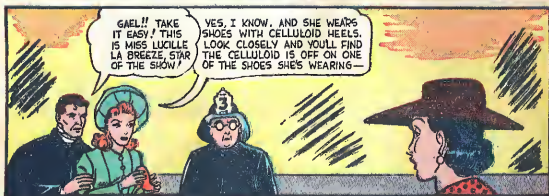
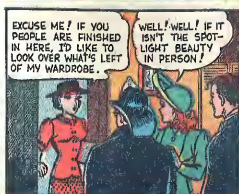
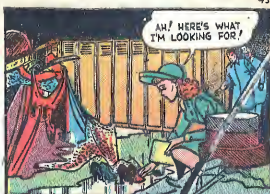
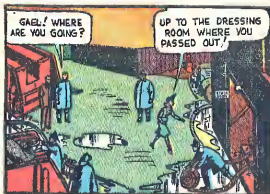


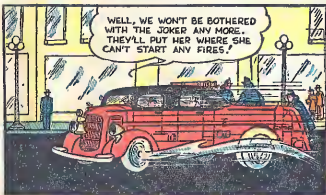


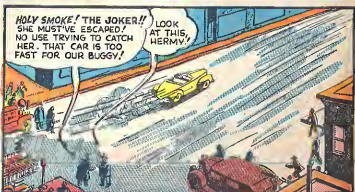
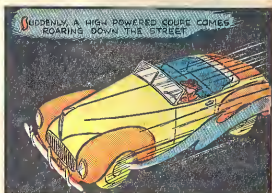
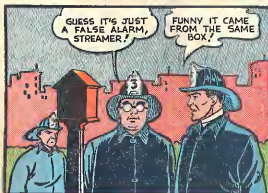
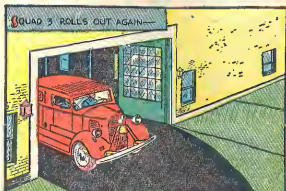
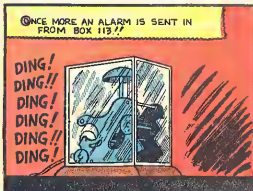
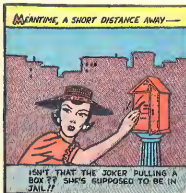


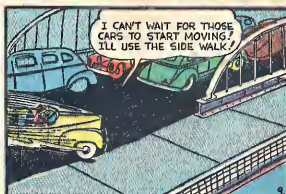
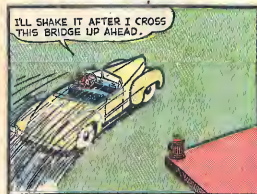
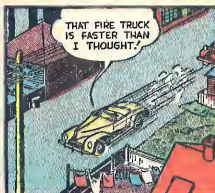
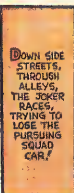
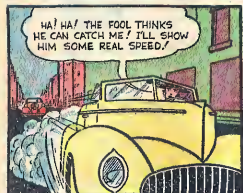




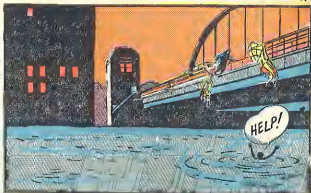
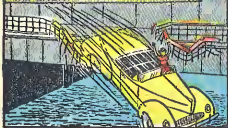








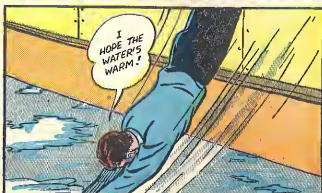
SWERVING TO THE RIGHT, THE JOKER SUDDENLY LOSES CONTROL OF THE SPEEDING CAR, CRASHES INTO THE RAIL, AND PLUNGES HEADLONG INTO THE RIVER.



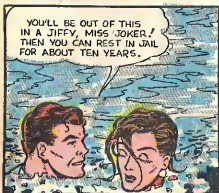
KEEP YOUR HEAD UP SISTER—I'LL BE WITH YOU SOON AS I GET THIS COAT OFF!



I HOPE THE WATER'S WARM!



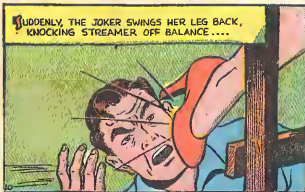
YOU'LL BE OUT OF THIS IN A JIFFY, MISS JOKER! THEN YOU CAN REST IN JAIL FOR ABOUT TEN YEARS.



UP THE LADDER, NOW, LIKE A GOOD GIRL!



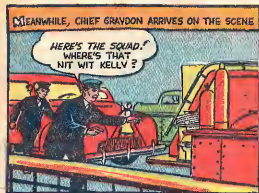
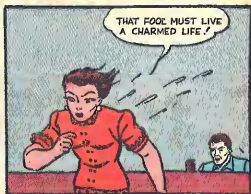
SUDDENLY, THE JOKER SWINGS HER LEG BACK, KNOCKING STREAMER OFF BALANCE....

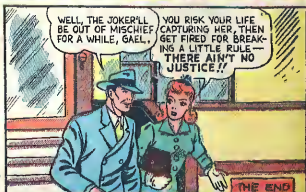
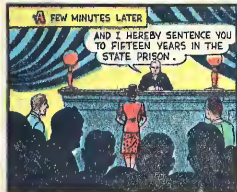
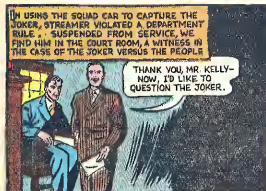
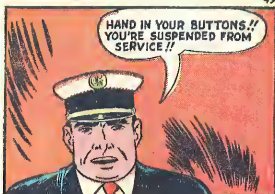


SURE YOU WILL, FIREMAN—



WHY, YOU LITTLE WILDCAT, I'LL WRING YOUR NECK WHEN I GET UP THERE!





FIRE FAX

SHEPHERD HOOK

THIS IS AN IRON ROO ABOUT FOURTEEN FEET LONG WITH A HOOK ON ONE END AND A CHAIN ON THE OTHER END. IT IS USED TO HOIST HOSE UP THE SIDE OF A BUILDING.

SLIDING POLE

THE FIRST SLIDING POLE TO MAKE ITS APPEARANCE IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WAS INTRODUCED IN THE EARLY EIGHTIES. IT WAS MADE FROM THE MAIN STOCK OF A TREE ABOUT THE SAME SIZE OF THE PRESENT BRASS POLE.

BENT PIPE

THIS USEFUL DEVICE CAN BE ATTACHED TO A HOSE LINE AND FITTED WITH A STANDARD NOZZLE. THE PIPE CARRIES A HOOK SO THAT IT CAN BE HUNG FROM THE RUNGS OF A LADDER. IT SERVES AS A CELLER NOZZLE AND AS A WATER TOWER.

THE RED SENTINEL

THE RED SENTINEL IS THE NAME OFTEN USED TO DESCRIBE THE FIRE ALARM BOX. WHEN SENDING AN ALARM FROM ONE OF THESE BOXES, ALWAYS REMEMBER TO WAIT AT THE BOX UNTIL THE FIREMEN ARRIVE SO THAT YOU CAN DIRECT THEM TO THE FIRE WITHOUT LOSING ANY TIME.

PULL-DOWN HOOK

THIS IS ANOTHER USEFUL TOOL. IT CAN BE MOUNTED ON A POLE OF ANY CONVENIENT LENGTH AND USED TO PULL DOWN DEBRIS AFTER A FIRE. THE HOOK IS HUNG ON THE OBJECT TO BE PULLED DOWN. THEN SEVERAL FIREMEN TAKE HOLD OF THE ROPE AND GIVE IT A SUDDEN TUG. ONCE THE OBJECT HAS BEEN LOOSENED DOWN.

PROTECTIVE FIRE NOZZLE

THIS NOZZLE WAS INVENTED BY GEORGE F. LUM, OF DETROIT, MICH. IT THROWS A CIRCULAR CURTAIN OF WATER IN FRONT OF THE FIREMEN OPERATING THE NOZZLE, THUS AFFORDING GREATER PROTECTION FROM HEAT, SPARKS, FLAME, ETC. IT ALSO ENABLES FIREMEN TO GET CLOSER TO THE FIRE....

ANTI-AIRCRAFT PROTECTION

IN BOSTON, MASS. FIREMEN WERE GIVEN LESSONS IN THE DISMANTLING AND ASSEMBLING OF AN ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN. THE GUN WAS MOUNTED ON AN ENGINE AND THE MEN WERE TAUGHT HOW TO AIM AND FIRE THE GUN. THIS IS THE FIRST OF SUCH COURSES TO BE GIVEN THE FIREMEN IN THIS COUNTRY.

(FROM FIRE ENGINEER NO. 2)

TRAINING DEVICE

THIS PIECE OF EQUIPMENT IS USED DURING COLD WEATHER TO THAW OUT FROZEN HYDRANTS. IT CONSISTS OF A SMALL BOILER, A WATER COIL, AND A HEATER. WATER IS FED FROM AN ACETYLENE GAS TANK. A SUCTION PUMP IS USED WITH THIS DEVICE TO DRAW THE WATER FROM THE HYDRANT AS THE ICE IS THAWED.

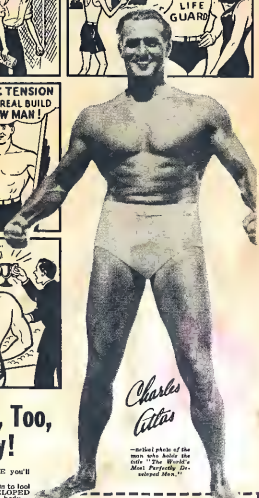
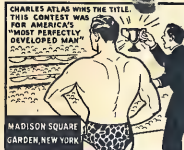
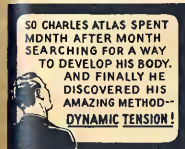
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